

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: YAMAZAKI, *et al.*

APPLICATION NO.: 10/661,790

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FOR: **MEMBRANE BASED ASSAYS**

EXAMINER: FOSTER, CHRISTINE E.

ART UNIT: 1641

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**Amendment in Response to Office Action**

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Sir:

In response to the Office action dated October 24, 2006 in the above-identified application, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

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